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Remarks/Arguments

Claims 29-44 are in the application. Claims 45 and 46 have been cancelled. Claims 29, 30, and 44 are in independent form.

Claim rejections 35 USC § 112, 2nd Paragraph

Claims 29-46 stand rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Examiner notes that in claim 29, it is unclear if "a page" in line 9 is the same or different from "a page" in line 4; it is unclear if "a page" in line 10 is the same or different from "a page" in lines 4 and 9; and it is unclear if "a page" in lines 11 and 12 is the same or different from "a page" in lines 4, 9, and 10.

There are several pages in claim 29. Referring to the amended claim, "a page" in line 4 is "a page for initiating an on-line electronic funds transfer as a first donation to the organization." The claim language in lines 7-8 has been amended to specifically indicate that "a list of donors" is made publicly available on "a page on which a list of donors is presented." Line 9 states "the page on which a list of donors is presented," with unambiguous antecedent basis in lines 7-8. Also in line 9, "a page" refers to "a page for making donations." In line 10, "a page" refers to "a page having information about the one of the listed donors." In line 11, the claim language has been revised to specifically refer to "the page having information about the one of the listed donors," with antecedent basis in lines 10-11. Finally, in line 12, "a page" refers to "a page for making additional donations." Applicants respectfully submit that the amended claim 29 is now sufficiently definite to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which

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applicants regard as the invention.

Examiner further notes that in claim 30, it is unclear if the "over the computer network" is "without human intervention" or the "making publicly available" is without human intervention.

Applicants respectfully submit that "without human intervention" describes "making publicly available." Therefore, the relevant language of claim 30 has been amended to "without human intervention making publicly available over the computer network information...." Claims 29, 31, 32, 36, and 40 have been similarly amended. Applicants respectfully submit that the amended claims are now sufficiently definite to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention.

Examiner also notes that in claim 34 (it appears Examiner intended to refer to claim 44), it is unclear how a single computer program on the network server executes all the steps in claim 29 since the steps appear to be executing over a computer network.

Applicants respectfully submit that claim 44 is sufficiently definite to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention. The method of claim 29 only includes actions done on the server side. The claim is not directed to any client actions performed over the computer network.

Finally, Examiner notes that in claim 45, it is unclear what steps are "without human intervention." For example, after a user clicks on a link, a web page is delivered to the user "without human intervention."

Applicants submit that claim 45 has been cancelled as a result of the claim rejections under 35 USC § 103, as described below.

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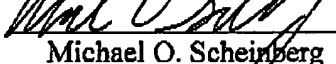
Claim Rejections Under 35 USC § 103

Claims 45-46 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,052,723 to Ginn ("Ginn") in view of "Fundraising and the Internet" by Hewitt and Johnston.

To expedite issuance of a patent containing the claims indicated as having allowable subject matter, Applicants have cancelled claims 45-46 without prejudice. Applicants submit that all claims are allowable and respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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